



June 8, 2018

Reference No. 039826-21

Mr. Ramon C. Mendoza  
Federal on Scene Coordinator  
USEPA Region 5  
Superfund Division  
Removal Branch 3  
77 West Jackson  
Chicago, Illinois 60604

Dear Mr. Mendoza:

**Re: May 2018 Monthly Progress Report  
OU2 Residential Areas (AOC Sampling & UAO Removal Action)  
Pilsen Soils  
Chicago, Illinois**

This letter provides the monthly progress report of activities by the OU2 Respondent for the OU2 residential areas under the AOC and UAO located in Chicago, Illinois.

- ***Describe the actions that have been taken toward achieving compliance with the Order during the previous month:***
  - Residential clean-up work was conducted on the following properties in May 2018:

**Non-Responsive**

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- Soil sampling was completed on the following properties in May 2018

**Non-Responsive**

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***Summary of all results of sampling and tests and all other data received by the Group and not previously submitted to the USEPA:***

- Validated soil sample results from 2018 were transmitted to the USEPA on May 23, 2018.



- **Identify all work plans, plans, and other deliverables required by the Settlement, completed and submitted during the previous month:**
  - Submittal of April 2018 monthly progress report.
- **Describe all actions, including but not limited to data collection and implementation of the work plans which are scheduled for the next six weeks:**
  - Submittal of monthly progress report.
  - Continuation of the OU2 residential clean-up
- **Include information regarding percentage of completion, unresolved delays encountered or anticipated:**
  - None to report
- **Include any modifications to the work plans or other schedules that have been proposed and approved by the USEPA:**
  - On May 14 2018, some newly landscaped garden areas at the Non-Responsive were screened using an XFR by the USEPA. The results were as follows:
    - North Side Fence Line:
      - Test 1 - 147.9 ppm Pb
      - Test 2 – 141 ppm Pb
      - Test 3 – 174 ppm Pb
    - East Side
      - Test 1 – 175 ppm Pb
      - Test 2 – 118.3 ppm Pb
      - Test 3 – 153 ppm Pb
    - Front yard soil patch
      - Test 1 – 82.2 ppm
  - Based on the results the new elevated portions of the garden were not included in the removal action at this property.
  - On May 11, 2018, GHD collected soil samples from the front yard and garden of Non-Responsive. The back area of the property is covered with a thin layer of gravel that was underlain by bricks and is currently being used for parking spots. GHD was unable to dig below the gravel to collect a sample. The property owner informed GHD that before she obtained the lot there was building in the back of the property where the gravel is. The building was demolished and all the debris was used to level the yard. The owner went on to say that underneath the layer of gravel there is just bricks and junk. This information, in addition to the owner knowledge supports the estimate that there may be a foot to 2ft of gravel and construction debris in the driveway and no other attempts to sample this area will be made.



- ***Describe all activities undertaken in support of the Community Relations Plan during the previous month:***
  - None to report.

If you have any questions regarding this monthly progress report, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

GHD

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Walter J. Pochron". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Walter" and last name "Pochron" being the most legible parts.

Walter J. Pochron

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